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RESOLUTION OF THE BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE, COUNTY OF CAMDEN, STATE OF NEW JERSEY ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE JOINT LAND USE BOARD AMENDING THE HOUSING ELEMENT AND FAIR SHARE PLAN CONSISTENT WITH THE BOROUGH MASTER PLAN

WHEREAS, the Borough of Merchantville retained Ragan Design Group Planning, LLC ("Ragan") to create the proposed Amendment to address the municipality's affordable housing obligation and analyze the consistency of the Amendment with the Master Plan of the Borough of Merchantville; and

WHEREAS, thereafter Ragan issued a Plan dated November 14, 2014 wherein Ragan provided an analysis of the consistency of the Amendments with the Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Land Use Board adopted Resolution 2014-12, at the December 9, 2014 meeting which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B", (the "Board Resolution"), which incorporated the Ragan Report in its entirety and recommended that the Borough Council adopt the Amendments due to consistency with the Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Joint Land Use Board of the Borough of Merchantville provided the proper documentation to the Camden County Planning Board and published notification in accordance with N.J.S.A 40:55D-13(3)(b); and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby adopts the findings of the Joint Land Use Board contained within the Board Resolution, specifically that the Amendment is consistent with the Master Plan, Housing Element and Fair Share Plan, with respect to the proposed alterations to provisions concerning COAH's rules and requirements;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Borough Council, that it adopts the Board Resolution and states that this Resolution, together with the Board Resolution, shall be, and hereby is, the report of the Borough Council and the basis for accepting the Amendments proposed by Ragan Design Group.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proposed Amendments to the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan of the Master Plan are approved.

December 22, 2014

ATTEST:	BOROUGH OF MERCHANTVILLE
BY:	BV:
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